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1. ITALIAN PRESS REPORTING OF SIMON STATEMENT ON JULY 21 BEFORE CONGRESS ON INTERNATIONAL MONETARY ISSUES WAS RESTRICTED TO FINANCIAL PRESS.

2. ARTICLES IN FINANCIAL PRESS (MILAN'S 24 ORE AND ROME'S FIORINO ON JULY 22), WHICH WERE BOTH DATELINED WASHINGTON AND WERE VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL, EMPHASIZED THAT SIMON HAD REJECTED FRENCH EFFORTS TO RETURN TO A FIXED EXCHANGE RATE SYSTEM AND THAT SIMON THOUGHT THAT UPCOMING MONETARY CONFERENCE IN PARIS WAS UNNECESSARY. ARTICLES INDICATED THAT US HAD NOT YET RECEIVED INVITATION TO ATTEND CONFERENCE AND WHEN SUCH INVITATION RECEIVED IT WOULD BE STUDIED.

3. /COMMENT/: LACK OF REPORTING IN GENERAL PRESS AND PRO FORMA REPORTING IN FINANCIAL PRESS OF SIMON STATEMENT IS NOT SURPRISING. DEVELOPMENTS IN DEBATE OVER REFORM OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM TYPICALLY TAKE SECOND PLACE TO CONCERN ABOUT DOMESTIC POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS IN ITALY.VOLPE

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